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(U) Connecticut – Police Investigating Several Threats Against Officers

(U) Hartford – Police are investigating several threats against officers, a deputy chief said today. On Sunday, a man already in custody at Hartford Police Headquarters, and who had previous charges of assaulting police officers, threatened an officer saying he was going to kill the officer "just like the officers in Dallas On Tuesday, police were called to Farmington Ave at Sisson Ave for a man walking in and out of traffic, throwing items at cars, and yelling that he was going to "kill cops." Yesterday an officer was guarding a prisoner at Hartford Hospital when the prisoner threatened the officer, the officer's children and also threatened to blow up his house and car. He also allegedly said he would place bombs in the Hartford Police cruisers. The subject was charged with three counts of threatening. SOURCE: 14 July 2016, FOX61

(U) District of Columbia – China Hacked into Computers at the FDIC from 2010 until 2013

(U) Washington – The House of Representative's Science, Space and Technology Committee released its investigative report yesterday. It presents the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's (FDIC) bank regulators as technologically inept -- and deceitful. According to congressional investigators, the Chinese government hacked into 12 computers and 10 backroom servers at the FDIC, including the sensitive personal computers of the agency's top officials: the FDIC chairman, his chief of staff, and the general counsel. When congressional investigators tried to review the FDIC's cybersecurity policy, the agency hid the hack, according to the report.

SOURCE: 13 July 2016, CNN

(U) Louisiana – Police Search for Fourth Suspect in Gun Burglary Tied to Plot to Kill Police

(U) Baton Rouge – Police are searching for the fourth suspect in a burglary at a pawn shop that is believed to be part of a wider plot to kill law enforcement in the Louisiana capital. Eight handguns and an airsoft BB gun were stolen from Cash America Pawn on Saturday police said. Of the four suspects who were involved in the robbery, three have been arrested and one remains at large. One suspect told police he was looking for bullets to attack officers in the Baton Rouge area. Police said they consider the threats credible.

SOURCE: 13 July 2016, ABC News

(U) Texas – Members of Sureños Gang Indicted, Accused of Conspiring to Distribute Meth

(U) El Paso – Local law enforcement officials revealed the results of a three-year investigation into the Sureños Gang, which originated in California and spread into El Paso. The suspects allegedly conspired to distribute methamphetamine in the El Paso area. During the operation, undercover FBI and DEA agents allegedly purchased guns and drugs from alleged gang members on 33 different occasions. Investigators also disrupted drug smuggling attempts in which gang members were trying to smuggle 41 pounds of liquid meth into the US. Officials said the gang has several hundred members in El Paso and they focused on taking down the leadership.

SOURCE: 13 Jul7 2016, ABC 7

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(U) Iraq - Death of ISIL Leader may Damage Foreign Recruitment

(U) Baghdad - The death of the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant's (ISIL) minister of war may disrupt its operations, a senior US military officer said today, and an Iraqi security expert said it could damage ISIL's important recruitment efforts in ex-Soviet republics. Abu Omar al-Shishani (the Chechen), a close military adviser to ISIL leader Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi, was killed in combat in the Iraqi district of Shirqat, south of Mosul, Amaq, a news agency that supports ISIL, said yesterday. It was the first confirmation of Shishani's death, which the Pentagon said in March, had probably occurred as a result of a US air strike in eastern Syria.

SOURCE: 14 July 2016, Reuters

(U) Kenya – Suspected Militant Recruiter Kills Four at Police Station

(U) Kapenguria – A suspected recruiter for the Somali militant group al Shabaab shot dead at least four Kenyan policemen in the station where he was being held today after he snatched a weapon from a guard, police said. He was later killed by an elite squad, which specializes in hostage situations, after holding other prisoners hostage as police surrounded Kapenguria police station in west Kenya. The man was suspected of links to terrorism, the police chief said, without being more specific.

SOURCE: 14 July 2016, Reuters

(U) Peru – Anti-Narcotics Agency Now Ready to Destroy Coca Fields

(U) Lima – Peru's anti-narcotics agency said it is now ready to destroy coca plants in a lawless jungle region where most cocaine in the Andean country is produced. Peru reduced the area for growing coca, a key ingredient in cocaine, by 6.1 percent to 99,583 acres in 2015, the fourth straight year of cuts as planting surged in neighboring Colombia, according to a report by the UN Office on Drugs and Crimes published yesterday.

SOURCE: 13 July 2016, Reuters

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